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NOTES

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2. Several tables contain figures which have been rounded (to thousands or, in some cases, millions), without making those adjustments which would be needed to make the rounded figures add to the rounded total. It is for this reason that figures do not always add to the totals shown in the tables.
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AUSTRALIAN DECIMAL CURRENCY

On the 14th February, 1966 as provided by the Currency Act 1965 a dollar (\$)/cent (c) decimal currency system, with one dollar equal to 100 cents, was introduced in Australia.

The relationship between pounds, shillings and pence, and dollars and cents, as prescribed in Section 8 of the Act is as follows :-

1 pound	=	2 dollars (\$2)
1 shilling	=	10 cents (10c)
1 penny	=	5/6ths of a cent (5/6c)

In this publication all monetary amounts have been converted to their equivalents in the new system.

The Australian dollar (\$1) is equal in value to eight shillings sterling or £US 1.12.

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INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY

Period	Wage and Sal- ary Earners in Civilian Employment(a)		Number of Persons on Unemploy- ment Benefit	Retail Sales (b) (excluding Motor Vehicles, Parts, etc.)	New Motor Vehicles Registered (c)		Building Permits and Approvals (e)		New Buildings Commenced	
	Manu- fac- turing	Total			Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Other Motor Veh- icles (d)	Private	Govt.	Houses and Flats (f)	Other Build- ings
	'000	'000			\$ million					
Monthly Average -							\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1960-61	48.1	200.9	2,200	28.8	1,263	462	4,154	1,857	3,190	2,357
1961-62	48.5	203.8	2,908	30.0	1,424	486	4,228	2,411	3,631	2,496
1962-63	51.1	212.1	2,679	31.5	1,931	531	5,201	1,971	3,938	2,889
1963-64	53.2	220.0	2,649	33.6	2,080	584	6,940	3,428	5,156	4,724
1964-65	55.5	228.6	1,623	36.4	1,942	575	8,941	2,831	5,555	4,616
Monthly Total -										
1963-64 -										
April	54.1	222.4	2,305	)	(	2,049	668	7,556	2,836)
May	54.0	223.3	2,146	)	(	1,955	632	7,004	1,788)
June	53.5	222.9	2,367	)	(	1,888	586	8,038	2,344)
1964-65 -										
July	53.8	222.8	2,619	)	(	2,022	570	8,154	3,096)
August	53.7	222.9	2,328	)	(	2,033	607	7,710	2,382)
September	54.6	225.0	1,903	)	(	1,812	639	7,926	3,328)
October	54.5	225.3	1,511	)	(	1,985	662	7,556	2,428)
November	55.1	226.6	1,376	)	(	1,629	573	7,954	3,072)
December	55.8	227.7	1,832	)	(	2,211	581	7,376	2,214)
January	55.9	228.4	1,847	)	(	1,588	402	6,706	1,956)
February	56.1	231.0	1,463	)	(	1,644	500	6,730	3,240)
March	56.5	232.2	1,231	)	(	2,258	590	12,794	2,714)
April	56.6	233.5	1,160	)	(	2,202	612	7,134	3,692)
May	56.4	233.8	1,069	)	(	1,941	590	9,288	2,352)
June	56.5	234.4	1,137	)	(	1,979	571	17,968	4,104)
1965-66 -										
July	56.4	235.4	1,203	)	(	2,068	922	6,776	5,358)
August	56.6	236.8	968	)	(	2,070	839	7,000	4,234)
September	56.5	238.4	709	)	(	1,460	744	6,816	3,996)
October	56.3	239.5	610	)	(	1,640	821	8,006	2,634)
November	56.9	241.5	607	)	(	1,797	824	7,962	2,208)
December	57.6	242.6	765	)	(	2,047	715	5,846	2,098)
January	57.6	243.3	867	)	(	1,773	615	5,223	2,379)
February	57.9	246.2	712	)	(	1,793	721	7,278	1,001)
March	58.4	248.2	620	)	(	2,101	834	12,878	2,163)
April	58.3	248.3	552	-		2,058	649	6,834	2,271	-

(a) Excluding employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces.

(b) The statistics shown relate to the value only of retail sales. To assess the movement in the volume of retail sales made, it would be necessary to allow for variations in prices.

(c) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the Defence Forces) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra. (d) Excludes motor cycles and motor scooters.

(e) Includes additions and alterations. (f) Includes owner-built houses.

INDICATORS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY - continued

Period	Cheque-paying Banks (g)		Savings Banks: Depositors' Balances		Instalment Credit for Retail Sales: Balances Out-standing (h)	Finance Companies: Balances Out-standing (i)	External Trade (Interstate and Overseas)	
	De- posits	Ad- vances	Total	Per Head			Im- ports	Ex- ports(j)
Monthly Average -	\$ million	\$ million	\$ million	\$	\$ million	\$ million	\$ million	\$ million
1960-61	192.4	142.1	160.4	219.8	89.1	-	29.7	27.5
1961-62	209.4	139.2	171.8	230.4	93.2	-	28.8	30.6
1962-63	219.9	153.7	196.3	256.8	104.3	-	35.5	27.7
1963-64	242.4	165.0	227.3	290.6	108.4	-	37.1	32.1
1964-65	272.9	186.1	252.7	316.8	107.7	104.5	41.4	29.6
Monthly Total -								
1963-64 -			(k)	(k)				
April	257.0	166.8	233.2	296.1		-		
May	249.9	171.5	235.0	297.9		-		
June	246.0	173.3	239.8	303.5	108.4	-		
1964-65 -								
July	247.8	176.7	242.7	306.8		98.3		
August	250.5	182.3	246.5	311.1		98.9		
September	254.1	185.7	249.5	314.3	108.9	99.8		
October	261.3	191.4	251.1	315.6		101.6		
November	272.6	192.9	251.4	315.1		103.5		
December	278.6	191.1	252.9	316.2	111.5	105.2		
January	292.7	181.3	254.3	317.9		105.4		
February	296.7	174.9	255.7	319.5		104.4		
March	290.0	180.9	255.8	319.5	106.1	106.1		
April	281.1	190.2	254.7	317.6		107.9		
May	275.5	192.7	255.8	318.6		110.7		
June	274.3	193.7	261.7	325.2	107.7	111.6		
1965-66 -								
July	273.0	197.1	263.6	326.8		113.0		
August	273.9	198.6	267.2	330.4		114.4		
September	279.7	198.1	271.3	334.5	109.4	115.8		
October	285.9	203.7	273.1	335.5		117.6		
November	294.5	207.7	274.7	336.2		119.1		
December	304.4	206.5	274.6	334.9	113.9	121.2		
January	335.1	191.5	277.6	339.3(1)		121.4		
February	355.0	179.6	282.4	344.9(1)		118.5		
March	344.0	182.6	283.6	344.6(1)		118.8		
April	334.5	189.2	283.9	344.3(1)		121.5		

(g) Average of balances at close of business on Wednesdays during the period. (h) At end of period and inclusive of Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance. Figures relate to retail businesses and non-retail finance businesses. (i) Total amounts owing irrespective of type of agreement. (j) Including value of Ships' Stores and excluding value of gold bullion. (k) At end of month. (l) Preliminary.

POPULATION ESTIMATES

Period	Whole State (At end of Period)			Metropolitan Statistical Division (f)	
	Males	Females	Persons	30th June	31st December
Year -					
1961	379,947	366,258	746,205	(a) 420,133	425,000
1962	389,304	376,411	765,715	431,000	439,000
1963	398,091	386,016	784,107	445,000	452,000
1964	405,771	393,855	799,626	457,000	465,000
1965	415,731	404,332	820,063	465,000	478,000
Quarter -					
1964 -				-	-
December	405,771	393,855	799,626	-	-
1965 -				-	-
March	406,285	394,206	800,571	-	-
June	408,233	396,230	804,463	-	-
September	411,338	399,505	810,843	-	-
December	415,731	404,332	820,063	-	-

(f) The Perth Statistical Division was constituted with effect from 1st January, 1966 by amalgamation of the former Metropolitan and Swan Statistical Divisions. The population of the Perth Statistical Division at 31st December, 1965 is estimated to be 546,000 persons.

(a) Census figure.

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES

Particulars	Quarter ended MARCH -				Twelve Months ended DECEMBER -			
	1966		1965		1965		1964	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Births	3,703	18.03	3,839	19.19	16,186	20.08	16,685	21.11
Deaths	1,393	6.78	1,455	7.27	6,274	7.78	6,429	8.14
Marriages	1,815	8.84	1,622	8.11	6,448	8.00	6,023	7.62
Infant Mortality (b)	101	27.28	88	22.92	351	21.69	328	19.66

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births. (b) Deaths under one year.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	Three Months ended 31st March -		Nine Months ended 31st March -	
	1966		1965	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue - Total \$'000	50,125	42,006	149,072	127,544
Per Head of Population \$	61.0	52.5	183.1	160.4
Expenditure - Total \$'000	47,279	42,390	150,686	133,276
Per Head of Population \$	57.6	53.0	185.1	167.6

SALES OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	MAY -		Eleven Months ended MAY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	50,600	47,313	463,164	387,313
Net Taxable Sales	15,219	13,381	151,979	133,808
Tax Collected	2,019	1,931	20,663	18,040

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS

\$ million

Year	Weekly Average of Debits to Customers' Accounts (a)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1964	97.6	101.4	101.0	102.0	96.2	95.8	96.0	88.0	94.8	106.6	100.0	116.8
1965	106.9	110.7	111.9	111.9	113.8	116.7	108.5	108.7	106.3	121.6	121.4	128.2
1966	138.1	122.4(b)	128.6	119.5								

(a) Covers all cheque-paying banks and in addition, the Rural Credits Department of the Reserve Bank and the Commonwealth Development Bank. Excludes debits to Commonwealth and State Government accounts at city branches. (b) Banks were exempted from furnishing a return for Wednesday, 9th February, 1966.

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Eleven Months ended MAY -					
	1966			1965		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
Sequestration Orders	176	\$'000	\$'000	202	\$'000	\$'000
Compositions and Assignments		678	165		824	165
without Sequestration	68	2,385	2,160	64	632	348

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company	MAY -		Eleven Months ended MAY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Local	No.	57	32	517
Nominal Capital	\$'000	3,835	6,290	33,682
Foreign	No.	31	25	219
				131,644
				216

CROWN LAND TRANSACTIONS

Type of Transaction	MAY -		Five Months ended MAY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	44,412	66,272	231,011	470,843
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous				
Leases Issued by Lands Department	2,164,654	5,829	2,650,906	2,079,306

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Titles	MAY -		Eleven Months ended MAY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Transfers	No.	2,831	2,715	26,079
	\$'000	18,187	17,186	167,081
Mortgages	No.	2,186	2,239	20,209
	\$'000	12,909	13,362	125,771
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,720	1,681	16,147
				16,647

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS OPERATIONS

Item	APRIL -		Ten Months ended APRIL -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Gross Earnings \$'000	4,002	3,556	35,132	29,741
Operating Expenses \$'000	3,009	2,746	29,592	27,498
Revenue Train Miles '000	679	704	6,624	6,185
Passengers Carried (a) -				
Train '000	749	782	8,441	8,591
Omnibus '000	20	22	215	218
Tonnage Carried -				
Paying Traffic:				
Goods '000	621	525	4,952	4,095
Livestock '000	7	6	92	88
Departmental Traffic '000	27	35	376	403
Total '000	655	566	5,420	4,586
Net Ton Mileage -				
Paying Traffic:				
Goods '000	95,319	85,269	789,616	657,184
Livestock '000	1,102	895	16,619	14,443
Departmental Traffic '000	2,678	2,852	38,196	38,600
Total '000	99,099	89,017	844,431	710,227

(a) Based on ticket sales, making allowance for periodical tickets.

EXTERNAL TRADE

(\$ million)

Period	IMPORTS			EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)		
	Oversea	Interstate	Total	Oversea	Interstate	Total
1960-61	110.5	245.5	356.0	319.1	90.5	409.5
1961-62	100.2	245.2	345.4	297.0	84.6	381.6
1962-63	112.6	313.7	426.4	254.7	91.6	346.4
1963-64	121.7	323.2	444.9	295.8	101.9	397.7
1964-65	153.5	343.3	496.9	251.3	120.8	372.0
Nine Months ended March, 1965	108.4	208.6	317.0	180.5	74.6	255.1
1966	136.7	255.0	391.7	226.6	88.0	314.6

PRODUCTION OF GOLD(+) AND COAL

(As reported to the Department of Mines)

Item	APRIL -		Four Months ended APRIL -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
GOLD -				
Quantity '000 fine oz.	55.7	52.9	202.7	222.9
Value (a) \$'000	1,739	1,653	6,336	6,967
Dividends reported by Gold-mining Companies \$'000	-	103	-	253
COAL -				
Quantity '000 tons	61.3	52.4	294.3	261.9
Value \$'000	266	232	1,262	1,220

(+) Includes gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. (a) Excludes amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold, and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

ITEMS OF FACTORY PRODUCTION

Commodity (a)	Item	APRIL -		Ten Months ended APRIL -	
		1966	1965	1966	1965
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid Fuel	number	259	413	3,542	3,535
Bricks - Clay	'000	11,234	11,791	113,924	118,274
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	130	142	1,370	1,319
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yd.	1,545	2,497	22,110	27,616
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	(b)	2,981	(b)	34,241
Plaster of Paris	"	1,547	1,888	17,221	17,824
Paints and Enamels, Ready-mixed (excluding Water Paints)	gallon	46,080	46,256	480,075	465,100
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (c)	'000 super. ft.	14,593	15,464	176,935	167,862
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven Fabric -					
Men's and Boys'	dozen	1,456	1,185	8,724	10,886
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	4,832	5,836	54,066	55,818
Suits - Men's and Youths' -					
2 and 3 piece	number	660	888	8,108	8,721
Trousers - Men's and Youths' -					
Sports	"	9,326	16,807	122,319	125,073
Work (including Jeans)	"	19,057	11,554	107,376	102,778
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (d)	pair	60,852	59,198	660,829	680,227
Slippers	"	17,651	12,226	108,407	93,693
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	580	534	7,903	6,261
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	23,018	19,194	399,597	310,528
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	660	620	7,782	7,317
Butter (e)	"	256	391	15,867	14,594
Cheese (e)	"	22	19	2,288	3,440
Flour - Plain (f)	ton (2,000 lb.)	5,953	10,015	99,918	118,795
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Bran	ton (2,000 lb.)	1,153	1,980	18,871	22,435
Electricity Generated	million kWh.	127	117	1,315	1,196
Gas (Town) Produced	million cub. ft.	120	113	1,212	1,197
Iron - Pig-iron	ton	5,259	3,879	35,903	39,776
Mattresses - Soft-filled (g)	number	4,036	4,178	58,378	49,148
Pollard	ton (2,000 lb.)	901	1,784	14,384	17,149
Sulphuric Acid	ton	42,095	37,060	329,491	279,976
Superphosphate	ton	113,856	95,536	881,080	739,935
Wool - Scoured	'000 lb.	1,834	2,327	23,139	21,517

(a) Includes quantities produced and used in own works. (b) Not available for publication.
 (c) Includes railway sleepers and plywood veneers in terms of super. feet. (d) Excludes sandshoes, rubber thongs and other footwear wholly of rubber. (e) Particulars from Dairy Products Equalization Committee Ltd. (f) Includes quantities used for making self-raising flour. (g) Including rubber, plastic foam and sponge.

TIMBER - LOGS SAWN (a)

'000 super. feet
(Hoppus measure)

Particulars	APRIL -		Ten Months ended APRIL -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Logs (a) -				
Hardwood	32,850	32,963	400,327	366,489
Pines	1,400	1,738	14,476	19,103
Total	34,250	34,701	414,803	385,592

(a) Local logs - including local logs used by plywood mills.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED AND MEAT PRODUCED

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a)					
Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
April, 1966	18,319	1,478	157,164	55,023	15,082
1965	20,354	2,045	122,084	55,691	14,855
Ten Months ended April, 1966	242,431	16,478	1,419,551	736,177	161,390
1965	243,986	24,223	1,066,511	690,026	152,294
MEAT PRODUCED (Dressed Carcass Weight) (b) (Tons)					
Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat(c)
April, 1966	3,236	59	2,992	808	801
1965	3,700	84	2,312	815	781
Ten Months ended April, 1966	46,455	717	27,037	10,656	8,706
1965	45,205	1,071	20,520	10,013	8,246

(a) Excludes livestock slaughtered for boiling down and livestock slaughtered for human consumption but subsequently condemned. (b) Excludes offal. (c) Includes quantities used to produce bacon and ham.

WHOLE MILK: PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION (a)
('000 gallons)

Period	Total Production	Quantity of Whole Milk used for -		
		Butter (b)	Cheese (b)	Other Purposes(c)
April, 1966	2,382	525	22	1,835
1965	2,694	822	20	1,852
Ten Months ended April, 1966	53,297	32,531	2,336	18,430
1965	51,447	29,886	3,395	18,166

(a) Preliminary estimates. (b) Factory production only. (c) Principally for household consumption. Includes milk used for production of farm butter and cheese.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	Accidents						Casualties			
	Non-casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State	Metro-politan (b)	Whole State
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
1962	4,482	6,556	2,586	3,685	7,068	10,241	83	177	3,425	5,077
1963	6,207	8,583	2,913	4,057	9,120	12,640	110	198	3,734	5,399
1964	7,658	10,283	2,859	4,062	10,517	14,345	88	222	3,761	5,450
1965	10,126	12,730	3,001	4,170	13,127	16,900	105	252	3,930	5,638
1965 -										
April	843	1,083	236	339	1,079	1,422	10	18	297	460
May	1,025	1,254	252	361	1,277	1,615	11	28	347	511
June	934	1,178	264	370	1,198	1,548	7	23	335	485
July	1,002	1,217	278	379	1,280	1,596	9	23	342	494
August	1,010	1,265	279	364	1,289	1,629	13	20	359	496
September	895	1,105	232	309	1,127	1,414	5	23	315	427
October	938	1,163	263	365	1,201	1,528	8	17	335	478
November	810	997	255	351	1,065	1,348	6	20	331	466
December	792	1,028	259	368	1,051	1,396	7	21	351	513
1966 -										
January	702	945	222	297	924	1,242	6	11	309	430
February	681	875	232	309	913	1,134	11	25	314	424
March	777	935	218	306	995	1,241	8	17	311	430
April	1,009	1,302	245	359	1,254	1,661	14	32	331	485

(a) Excludes non-casualty accidents where estimated damage was \$50 or less. (b) Metropolitan Traffic Area.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (a)

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State				
	Motor Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total	Motor Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total
1961	6,947	1,871	2,251	591	11,660	10,670	3,228	5,174	903	19,975
1962	11,161	3,220	2,883	651	17,915	16,670	5,151	6,142	898	28,861
1963	12,594	3,766	3,036	470	19,866	18,426	6,049	6,876	683	32,034
1964	11,602	3,675	3,194	369	18,840	17,128	5,982	7,042	568	30,720
1965	11,574	3,374	3,691	387	19,026	16,988	5,706	8,130	588	31,412
1965 -										
April	1,053	340	309	34	1,736	1,598	604	612	50	2,864
May	992	294	290	27	1,603	1,419	522	590	38	2,569
June	973	290	285	25	1,573	1,476	503	571	44	2,594
July	1,056	269	419	22	1,766	1,583	485	922	43	3,033
August	1,072	350	403	25	1,850	1,539	531	839	44	2,953
September	777	215	328	28	1,348	1,101	359	744	43	2,247
October	870	215	345	45	1,475	1,259	381	821	65	2,526
November	964	227	323	34	1,548	1,395	402	824	56	2,677
December	987	259	311	37	1,594	1,567	480	715	49	2,811
1966 -										
January	877	242	280	40	1,439	1,343	430	615	66	2,454
February	970	238	342	58	1,608	1,404	394	721	92	2,611
March	1,098	279	407	59	1,843	1,656	445	834	87	3,022
April	1,032	317	297	26	1,672	1,548	510	649	46	2,753
May	1,274	335	340	46	1,995	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)

(a) Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the defence services) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra are included with Whole State figures only. (b) Including motor scooters. (c) Not yet available.

MOTOR VEHICLES ON REGISTER (a)

Date (End of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State			
	Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total	Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total
1955 - December (c)	60,210	22,743	8,830	91,783	95,032	61,161	13,012	169,205
1961 - December	96,600	27,139	8,751	132,490	147,696	72,289	12,450	232,435
1962 - June December (c)	101,850 110,028	27,598 28,486	8,732 8,714	138,180 147,228	155,447 165,637	74,224 75,531	12,390 12,257	242,061 253,425
1963 - June December	114,459 122,025	28,386 29,010	8,205 7,762	151,050 158,797	170,781 181,424	75,748 77,738	11,649 10,960	258,178 270,122
1964 - June December	127,393 131,793	29,419 29,700	7,403 6,738	164,215 168,231	189,251 195,818	78,239 78,470	10,449 9,602	277,939 283,890
1965 - March June September December	134,230 136,719 138,635 141,883	29,882 30,025 30,384 31,206	6,589 6,388 6,083 6,131	170,701 173,132 175,102 179,220	198,326 202,914 205,179 210,737	78,362 79,316 79,728 82,735	9,469 9,244 8,800 8,948	286,157 291,474 293,707 302,420
1966 - March	144,840	31,966	6,168	182,974	213,911	83,484	8,966(d)	306,361

(a) Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the defence services) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra are included with Whole State figures only. At the 31st March, 1966 there were 1,429 such vehicles comprising 147 motor cars, 185 station wagons, 370 utilities, 271 panel vans, 418 trucks, 21 omnibuses and 17 motor cycles. (b) Including motor scooters. (c) Census figures, 31st December. (d) Comprises 181,637 motor cars, 32,274 station wagons, 41,010 utilities, 10,504 panel vans, 30,314 trucks, 1,656 omnibuses (including 50 trolley-buses) and 8,966 motor cycles and motor scooters.

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats (Individual Living Units)			Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1963-64	7,401	1,876	9,277	62,086	23,508	30,126	53,634	83,278	41,132
1964-65	7,230	2,135	9,365	69,686	41,884	20,388	62,272	107,296	34,578
1965 - May	639	270	909	6,562	3,436	758	4,194	9,288	2,352
June	723	248	971	9,056	9,710	2,436	12,146	17,968	4,104
July	511	170	681	4,992	1,802	4,320	6,122	6,776	5,358
August	582	230	812	5,910	1,592	2,754	4,346	7,000	4,234
September	548	206	754	5,564	1,906	2,636	4,542	6,816	3,996
October	623	166	789	5,762	2,480	1,584	4,064	8,006	2,634
November	600	160	760	5,818	2,364	1,092	3,456	7,962	2,208
December	507	191	698	5,098	1,318	872	2,190	5,846	2,098
1966 - January	405	127	532	3,906	1,689	1,557	3,246	5,223	2,379
February	494	61	555	4,362	2,586	510	3,096	7,278	1,001
March	904	146	1,050	9,514	3,336	1,179	4,515	12,878	2,163
April	643	87	730	5,319	1,389	1,602	2,991	6,834	2,271
May	730	279	1,009	8,218	3,426	1,542	4,968	9,616	4,437

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the two following tables cover the activities of building contractors who undertake the construction of new buildings; the building operations of Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities; and work performed by owner-builders.

NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	New Houses and Flats (Individual Living Units)				Other New Buildings(a)			Grand Total (a)		
	Private	Govt.	Total	\$'000	Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Year -										
1960-61	5,102	1,311	6,413	39,682	12,034	20,334	32,368	44,960	27,090	72,050
1961-62	4,919	1,428	6,347	40,812	15,176	12,084	27,260	42,988	25,084	68,072
1962-63	5,485	1,750	7,235	48,764	16,924	20,740	37,664	55,376	31,052	86,428
1963-64	6,551	2,020	8,571	57,370	16,602	18,896	35,498	62,718	30,150	92,868
1964-65	7,438	1,848	9,286	66,284	23,760	17,056	40,816	73,840	28,260	107,100
Quarter -										
1965 - March	1,833	526	2,359	16,738	6,440	6,578	13,018	20,090	9,666	29,756
June	1,695	494	2,189	16,622	5,362	3,546	8,908	18,876	6,654	25,530
September	1,639	549	2,188	16,604	7,568	4,548	12,116	20,598	8,122	28,720
December	1,713	486	2,199	16,312	10,830	4,816	15,646	24,186	7,772	31,958
1966 - March	1,711	515	2,226	16,396	5,562	15,054	20,616	18,717	18,295	37,012

(a) Additions valued at \$10,000 or over are treated as "new" buildings.

NEW HOUSES COMPLETED
(Includes Owner-built Houses)

Period	Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Cement, etc.		Wood or predominantly Wood		Fibro-cement or predominantly Fibro-cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Year -		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
1960-61	4,475	30,352	13	60	1,462	7,652	23	38	5,973	38,102
1961-62	4,486	30,946	79	724	1,427	7,640	90	160	6,082	39,470
1962-63	5,222	38,166	52	294	1,302	7,274	17	46	6,593	45,780
1963-64	5,739	42,716	34	162	1,463	8,818	40	78	7,276	51,774
1964-65	5,871	47,094	27	148	1,454	9,700	93	296	7,445	57,238
Quarter -										
1965 - March	1,465	11,642	2	12	345	2,368	49	156	1,861	14,178
June	1,564	12,776	6	64	308	2,132	9	40	1,887	15,012
September	1,361	11,108	4	34	396	2,946	15	60	1,776	14,148
December	1,439	11,950	6	28	382	2,460	10	30	1,837	14,468
1966 - March	1,357	11,353	6	30	408	2,785	32	138	1,803	14,306

AVERAGE PRICES OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1965								1966				
		May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May
FRUIT														
Lemons	$\frac{1}{2}$ bushel	1.48	1.45	1.44	1.42	0.92	1.24	1.37	1.23	1.62	1.72	1.23	1.37	1.23
Oranges - Navel	bushel	3.32	2.88	2.68	2.91	3.27	3.53	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.96
- Val.	bushel	2.32	-	-	-	2.79	3.10	3.47	3.62	4.32	3.66	3.30	4.31	2.78
Bananas - Local	lb.	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.11	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.13
Apples - Gr. Smith	bushel	1.44	1.42	1.49	1.73	1.78	1.63	2.86	2.88	2.37	-	2.12	1.73	1.92
- Other	bushel	1.84	2.10	2.29	2.85	2.61	2.59	2.78	2.52	2.94	3.28	2.37	2.42	2.81
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	1.77	1.92	1.90	2.15	-	-	-	-	-	1.75	1.49	1.56	1.71
Apricots	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.13	3.27	-	-	-	-
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.93	2.40	3.25	-	-
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.77	2.22	1.74	2.94	3.81	-
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.22	2.78	1.66	2.03	-	-
Grapes (a)	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	1.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.96	2.19	1.73	1.87	2.04
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	1.32	1.40	0.93	1.02	0.53	0.50	0.58	0.82	1.46	1.71	1.72	0.82	0.63
Cauliflowers	dozen	2.08	2.04	2.28	1.84	1.43	1.62	2.07	1.78	-	2.92	2.74	1.80	1.30
Lettuce	crate	1.62	1.25	1.14	1.28	1.03	2.04	1.22	1.17	1.29	1.98	1.46	0.92	1.07
Table Celery	doz. head	0.71	0.67	0.77	0.63	0.92	0.84	1.09	1.60	1.42	0.87	1.32	0.75	0.72
Beetroot	dump bag (b)	0.94	1.22	1.85	2.47	2.72	2.71	2.11	1.29	1.15	1.46	2.13	2.15	2.33
Carrots	dump bag (b)	1.42	1.52	1.52	1.50	1.28	0.91	1.29	0.82	0.98	1.12	1.19	1.53	1.72
Parsnips	dump bag (b)	2.12	2.44	2.78	2.68	1.81	1.58	1.55	1.37	1.41	1.10	2.16	2.20	2.80
Turnips	dump bag (b)	1.39	1.18	2.47	1.94	0.46	0.47	0.81	0.97	0.97	0.78	0.71	1.28	2.06
Swedes	dump bag (b)	2.85	2.62	3.64	3.32	2.13	1.28	1.34	2.52	2.86	3.04	2.35	1.84	1.64
Runner Beans	lb.	0.13	0.10	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.08	0.18	0.10	0.16	0.14	0.11	0.10	0.13
Peas	lb.	0.14	0.19	0.18	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.11	0.14	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.13	0.18
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.12	0.08	0.07	0.06
Pumpkin	bag	2.04	1.92	2.06	2.55	2.72	3.69	4.37	3.58	2.82	2.19	2.61	2.23	2.45
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bushel	2.24	2.95	3.79	3.10	5.41	5.54	4.58	3.48	6.78	3.95	4.14	3.56	2.73
Onions (c)	ton	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	(d)	(d)	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
Potatoes (e)	ton	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00

(a) Prior to January, 1966 prices are calculated in terms of $\frac{3}{4}$ bushel case. (b) Standard dump bag - unweighed. (c) Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area. (d) Onion Pool closed. (e) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

A price has not been shown where sales of a particular item were not sufficient for that month.

Item	1965								1966				
	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
SHEEP	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Suckers	-	-	10.25	9.08	8.49	8.11	8.41	8.12	8.78	-	-	-	-
Lambs													
In Wool	10.28	10.19	9.78	9.37	-	-	-	-	9.46	9.39	10.41	12.30	12.62
Shorn	-	8.83	9.05	6.98	7.66	7.14	6.88	6.88	7.78	7.70	8.72	10.68	-
Hoggets -													
In Wool	9.33	8.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.17	-
Shorn	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.29	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ewes -													
In Wool	7.18	7.38	7.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.52	7.04	8.46	9.65
Shorn	-	6.01	6.08	5.83	5.62	6.00	5.79	5.23	5.49	5.55	5.55	6.20	7.28
Wethers -													
In Wool	9.02	8.79	8.80	8.16	-	-	-	-	9.04	7.95	8.19	8.88	11.27
Shorn	6.61	7.12	6.68	6.68	6.46	6.71	6.19	6.05	6.69	6.72	6.64	7.04	8.31
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	98.68	91.09	93.72	87.45	86.23	84.28	85.22	79.24	78.12	79.00	91.72	106.73	120.17
Heifers	-	101.02	98.64	98.12	94.15	90.08	90.08	-	-	95.06	116.31	140.99	146.68
Cows	116.01	109.04	111.62	111.23	113.21	104.32	113.18	107.29	117.67	120.89	128.93	145.13	150.68
Steers	130.70	119.03	120.18	115.47	120.75	115.26	115.55	114.37	133.46	119.09	130.54	155.98	166.00
PIGS													
Slips	12.55	14.21	-	12.02	-	14.87	12.20	-	13.74	-	-	-	-
Porkers	23.10	23.47	22.83	22.70	23.02	23.50	23.89	22.27	22.82	24.61	24.81	25.85	25.21
Baconers	33.83	35.15	33.82	34.08	36.52	35.71	35.33	36.54	35.50	34.35	36.85	36.93	36.12

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVEWEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	0.28	0.28	0.30	0.30	0.33	-	0.32	0.35	-	-	0.29	0.26	0.27
" Cocks	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.36	-	-	-	-	-
Ducks	0.25	0.26	0.28	0.27	0.26	0.31	0.35	0.32	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.22
Drakes	0.26	0.27	0.22	0.28	0.28	0.32	0.31	0.33	0.22	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.22
Geese	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.27	-	-	0.27	0.27	0.25	0.27
Cockerels	0.26	0.26	0.23	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.27	-	-	0.25	0.24	0.26
Caponers	-	0.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hens	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.15	0.16	0.19	0.20

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Total	Month	Males	Females	Total
1954 - June	141.2	43.2	184.4	1965 - April	170.9	62.6	233.5
1955 - June	144.5	45.1	189.6	May	171.2	62.6	233.8
1956 - June	144.7	46.3	191.0	June	171.5	62.9	234.4
1957 - June	143.3	46.1	189.4	July	172.2	63.2	235.4
1958 - June	143.1	47.3	190.4	August	173.3	63.5	236.8
1959 - June	144.9	48.4	193.3	September	174.1	64.3	238.4
1960 - June	147.5	50.4	197.9	October	174.6	64.9	239.5
1961 - June	148.5	51.2	199.7	November	175.9	65.6	241.5
1962 - June	154.7	53.4	208.1	December	177.6	65.0	242.6
1963 - June	159.4	55.5	214.9	1966 - January	178.5	64.8	243.3
1964 - June	164.3	58.5	222.9	February	179.9	66.5	246.4
1965 - June	171.5	62.9	234.4	March	180.5	67.7	248.2
				April	180.4	67.9	248.3

INDUSTRY GROUPS ('000)

Industry Group and Sub-group	April, 1965			April, 1966		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	1.4	-	1.4	1.4	0	1.5
Mining and Quarrying	7.0	0.2	7.2	7.1	0.3	7.4
Manufacturing	48.2	8.4	56.6	49.1	9.2	58.3
Electricity, Gas, Water and Sanitary Services	5.3	0.3	5.6	5.3	0.3	5.6
Building and Construction	22.4	0.4	22.8	26.6	0.5	27.2
Transport and Storage -						
Road Transport and Storage	5.5	0.5	6.1	6.2	0.6	6.9
Shipping and Stevedoring	4.2	0.2	4.4	4.3	0.2	4.5
Rail and Air Transport	7.4	0.4	7.8	7.7	0.5	8.2
Total - Transport and Storage	17.2	1.1	18.3	18.2	1.3	19.5
Communication	5.6	1.2	6.8	5.7	1.2	7.0
Finance and Property -						
Banking	3.4	1.5	4.9	3.6	1.6	5.2
Other	3.0	2.3	5.3	3.1	2.5	5.6
Total - Finance and Property	6.4	3.8	10.2	6.7	4.1	10.8
Commerce -						
Retail Trade	17.0	13.4	30.4	17.0	14.7	31.6
Wholesale and Other Commerce	12.5	3.8	16.3	12.9	4.2	17.1
Total - Commerce	29.5	17.2	46.7	29.9	18.8	48.7
Public Authority Activities (not elsewhere included)	8.3	2.6	11.0	8.7	2.9	11.6
Other Industries -						
Health, Hospitals, etc.	3.5	10.9	14.4	3.7	11.3	14.9
Education	6.0	6.2	12.2	6.3	6.7	13.1
Other (b)	10.3	10.1	20.5	11.5	11.3	22.7
Total - Other Industries	19.7	27.3	47.0	21.5	29.3	50.7
TOTAL	170.9	62.6	233.5	180.4	67.9	248.3

Employees of:						
Private Employers	115.0	49.2	164.1	122.6	53.6	176.2
Government Authorities (c) -						
Commonwealth Government (d)	11.0	2.7	13.7	11.5	3.0	14.4
State Government (d)	40.5	10.2	50.6	41.6	10.7	52.3
Local Government	4.5	0.5	5.0	4.7	0.6	5.3
Total - Government Authorities (c) (d)	55.9	13.4	69.4	57.8	14.3	72.1
TOTAL	170.9	62.6	233.5	180.4	67.9	248.3

(a) Figures for current months are subject to revision. (b) Comprises Law, Order and Public Safety; Religion and Social Welfare; Other Community and Business Services; Amusement, Sport and Recreation; and Hotels, Personal Service, etc. (excluding private domestic service).
 (c) Includes employees of government bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road and air transport, shipping, banks, post office, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories, hospitals and institutions, as well as administrative employees. (d) Includes semi-government bodies. - Less than 50 employees.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (a)

Period	Coal Mining	Manufacturing			Building and Construct- ion	Transport		Other Indus- tries	All Groups
		Engin- eering, Metals, etc.	Food, Drink, and Tobacco	Other		Steve- doring	Other		
Number									
Year -									
1961	2	2	2	-	3	12	1	-	22
1962	-	10	3	-	9	5	1	-	28
1963	1	4	-	-	9	10	3	1	28
1964	-	5	3	-	5	10	2	1	26
1965	1	8	1	3	6	11	-	3	33
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	1	1	-	2	2	2	-	8
1965 - March	-	2	-	-	2	5	-	2	11
June	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-	6
September	-	4	-	2	-	2	-	1	9
December	-	1	1	-	4	1	-	-	7
Workers Involved (b)									
Year -									
1961	455	3,787	192	-	151	5,087	15	-	9,687
1962	-	2,993	150	-	1,842	3,326	52	-	8,363
1963	37	6,276	1,793	4,135	5,383	7,566	12,194	5,200	42,584
1964	-	497	146	-	636	2,507	2,094	285	6,165
1965	165	2,656	43	276	389	8,882	-	200	12,611
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	254	30	-	211	143	2,094	-	2,732
1965 - March	-	832	-	-	85	3,615	-	154	4,686
June	165	53	-	200	-	2,784	-	-	3,202
September	-	151	-	76	-	2,229	-	46	2,502
December	-	1,620	43	-	304	254	-	-	2,221
Working Days Lost									
Year -									
1961	5,025	532	343	-	992	16,326	15	-	23,233
1962	-	1,771	123	-	2,747	1,555	104	-	6,300
1963	42	4,564	1,061	2,583	5,917	4,336	9,431	4,035	31,969
1964	-	1,438	146	-	1,349	1,625	2,530	60	7,148
1965	514	2,042	26	120	925	6,202	-	191	10,020
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	220	30	-	196	61	2,530	-	3,037
1965 - March	-	493	-	-	281	2,374	-	122	3,270
June	514	53	-	75	-	1,795	-	-	2,437
September	-	929	-	45	-	2,020	-	69	3,063
December	-	567	26	-	644	13	-	-	1,250
Estimated Loss in Wages (\$'000)									
Year -									
1961	40.4	3.6	5.2	-	9.2	130.6	0.2	-	189.2
1962	-	14.0	1.0	-	21.8	13.2	-	-	50.0
1963	0.4	35.4	8.0	17.4	50.2	38.8	74.4	27.8	252.4
1964	-	10.8	1.2	-	12.0	15.4	23.2	-	62.6
1965	5.2	15.4	0.2	1.0	13.4	63.5	-	2.0	100.8
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	1.4	0.2	-	1.6	0.6	23.2	-	27.0
1965 - March	-	4.6	-	-	2.8	24.2	-	1.4	33.0
June	5.2	0.6	-	0.6	-	18.4	-	-	24.6
September	-	6.0	-	0.4	-	21.0	-	0.6	27.8
December	-	4.4	0.2	-	10.7	0.1	-	-	15.4

(a) Refers only to disputes involving cessation of work for ten man-days or more. (b) Includes workers indirectly involved i.e. persons thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppage occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

(Source: Department of Social Services)

Month	Persons receiving Benefits (a)			Amount paid in Benefits		
	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (b)	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (c)
1965 - May	1,069	818	99	38,260	42,658	3,350
June	1,137	817	99	43,574	42,534	3,746
July	1,203	853	107	50,900	37,332	4,146
August	968	866	116	48,672	43,362	4,648
September	709	792	113	32,338	40,234	3,762
October	610	761	110	26,754	37,790	4,174
November	607	760	111	21,782	34,268	3,796
December	765	679	107	26,190	45,298	3,978
1966 - January	867	692	93	31,152	28,420	3,896
February	712	687	106	29,138	39,585	3,564
March	620	762	102	28,384	41,278	3,986
April	552	736	98	22,484	32,664	3,353
May	622	768	101	21,444	37,283	3,770

(a) On the last Saturday of each month. (b) Includes migrants at reception and training centres awaiting their first placement in employment. (c) Includes amounts paid to migrants - see note (b).

BASIC WAGE RATES (a)

STATE (b)			COMMONWEALTH (c)		
Date of Operation	Males	Females	Date of Operation (d)	Males	Females
1964 -	\$	\$	1958 -	\$	\$
22nd September	30.80	23.10	21st May	26.10	19.55
26th October	31.12	23.34	1959 -	27.60	20.70
1965 -			11th June		
26th April	31.47	23.60	1961 -		
26th July	31.78	23.84	7th July	28.80	21.60
16th November	31.96	23.97	1964 -		
1966 -			19th June (e)	30.80	23.10
25th January	32.38	24.28			
2nd May	32.65	24.49			

(a) The amounts shown represent the basic weekly rate applicable to adult workers and relate generally to a week of 40 hours. The female rate is fixed at 75 per cent. of the male rate. (b) The rates shown apply uniformly throughout the State. (c) Rates for Perth. (d) Operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown. (e) These rates have not subsequently been varied.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: PERTH

(Base of each Index Series: Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Miscell- aneous	
Year -						
1960-61	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1961-62	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
1962-63	123.9	112.0	150.9	107.0	125.5	122.2
1963-64	125.4	112.8	155.9	105.2	128.5	123.8
1964-65	130.5	114.1	160.0	106.4	134.2	127.6
Quarter -						
1965 - March	130.1	114.3	160.4	106.6	136.0	128.0
June	133.3	114.7	161.5	106.9	136.2	129.3
September	134.4	114.7	162.9	107.9	136.4	130.0
December	133.9	115.0	165.5	108.0	142.8	131.7
1966 - March	135.8	115.4	166.5	107.9	144.6	132.8

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(\$ million)

Period	Grocer- ies	Butchers' Meat	Other Food- stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits (a)	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Foot- wear	Hardware, China and Glass- ware (b)	Electrical Goods, and Musical Instruments	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chem- ists' Goods	News- papers, Books, Station- ery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(d)
1960-61	62.0	25.7	45.0	40.6	54.9	9.8	9.4	29.6	15.0	14.0	9.4	30.7	346.1	122.1
1961-62	65.4	27.0	47.3	41.4	57.4	10.2	9.8	27.9	16.0	15.6	10.0	32.3	360.3	133.9
1962-63	66.5	29.2	50.4	43.7	59.8	10.6	10.8	26.5	17.9	17.2	10.4	34.5	377.5	159.3
1963-64	75.0	31.6	53.8	46.1	63.0	11.0	11.3	23.3	18.8	19.1	11.5	38.2	402.7	167.6
1964-65	82.3	34.5	58.5	48.2	67.9	11.9	11.7	24.5	21.1	21.3	12.5	42.6	437.0	165.7
Sept. Qr.														
1960	14.8	6.2	10.4	8.6	13.4	2.4	2.4	7.4	4.0	3.2	2.2	7.2	82.2	33.0
1961	16.2	6.8	11.1	8.8	14.2	2.4	2.4	6.9	3.9	3.7	2.2	7.6	86.2	30.4
1962	16.3	7.1	11.8	9.4	14.4	2.5	2.6	6.8	4.4	4.2	2.5	8.1	90.1	38.7
1963	18.2	7.7	12.6	10.0	14.9	2.6	2.6	5.7	4.4	4.5	2.7	8.8	94.7	42.1
1964	19.6	8.5	14.0	10.5	16.2	2.8	2.7	6.0	5.1	5.0	2.8	9.8	103.0	41.3
1965	22.3	8.9	14.7	11.9	17.5	3.0	2.8	6.6	5.4	5.6	3.0	11.0	112.7	43.4
Dec. Qr.														
1960	16.4	6.4	11.6	11.4	15.8	2.8	2.6	8.0	4.4	3.8	2.6	9.2	95.0	33.2
1961	17.6	6.8	12.2	11.5	16.0	2.8	2.7	8.0	4.4	4.2	2.9	9.4	98.5	33.6
1962	17.5	7.4	13.1	12.1	17.3	2.9	2.9	7.8	4.9	4.9	3.0	10.2	104.0	42.3
1963	19.7	8.0	14.1	13.0	17.6	3.0	3.4	6.5	5.1	5.4	3.2	11.4	110.4	45.1
1964	22.1	8.9	15.5	13.4	19.1	3.3	3.6	6.8	5.9	5.9	3.4	12.9	120.8	41.1
1965	24.3	9.3	16.1	15.9	19.8	3.3	3.8	7.7	5.7	6.6	3.8	13.8	130.1	43.1
March Qr.														
1961	15.2	6.4	12.2	11.6	11.3	2.0	2.2	6.8	3.2	3.4	2.4	7.0	83.7	27.5
1962	15.6	6.6	12.5	11.6	12.2	2.2	2.3	6.6	3.8	3.8	2.6	7.5	87.3	33.3
1963	15.9	7.1	13.1	12.0	12.3	2.2	2.6	6.1	4.1	3.9	2.5	8.1	89.9	38.5
1964	18.3	7.7	13.8	12.6	13.2	2.3	2.7	5.5	4.4	4.5	3.0	8.9	96.9	39.7
1965	19.7	8.3	14.6	12.8	14.0	2.5	2.7	5.8	4.8	5.0	3.3	9.8	103.3	40.4
1966	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(f)113.1	(e)
June Qr.														
1961	15.6	6.7	10.8	9.0	14.4	2.6	2.2	7.4	3.4	3.6	2.2	7.3	85.2	28.4
1962	16.0	6.8	11.5	9.5	15.0	2.8	2.4	6.4	3.9	3.9	2.3	7.8	88.3	36.6
1963	16.8	7.6	12.4	10.2	15.8	3.0	2.7	5.8	4.5	4.2	2.4	8.1	93.5	39.8
1964	18.8	8.2	13.3	10.5	17.3	3.1	2.6	5.6	4.9	4.7	2.6	9.1	100.7	40.7
1965	20.9	8.8	14.4	11.5	18.6	3.3	2.7	5.9	5.3	5.4	3.0	10.1	109.9	42.9

(a) Excludes sales by licensed clubs. (b) Excludes Basic Building Materials, Builders' Hardware and Supplies, such as Tools of Trade, Paint, etc.

(c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Jewellery, Sporting Goods, etc. but excludes Grain and Produce, and Business Machines. (d) Excludes Tractors, Farm

(e) Not yet available. (f) Preliminary estimate.

OIL INDUSTRY SALES OF MAIN PETROLEUM FUELS
(Source: Department of National Development)

('000 gallons)

Period	Aviation Gasoline	Motor Spirit (a)	Aviation Turbine Fuel	Lighting Kerosene	Heating Oil	Power Kerosene	Automotive Distillate		Industrial Diesel Fuel		Furnace Fuel	
							Inland	Bunkers	Inland	Bunkers	Inland (b)	Bunkers
1960-61	3,050	92,591	3,679	5,689(c)	(d)	5,264	27,181	242	24,302	15,202	33,251	94,047
1961-62	3,092	99,283	4,122	5,641(c)	(d)	4,621	34,276	225	18,748	13,431	26,117	82,015
1962-63	3,070	107,977	5,918	5,823	272	4,270	39,512	365	17,053	9,775	31,475	73,788
1963-64	3,267	117,486	6,900	5,692	449	3,535	42,256	419	14,613	8,451	49,943	85,344
1964-65	3,020	127,198	9,203	5,765	694	3,259	49,842	671	15,988	8,712	61,238	83,634
1965 - April	229	10,927	824	390	58	340	4,847	68	1,782	661	4,950	7,069
May	263	10,836	877	576	74	476	6,364	99	1,536	802	5,265	7,439
June	262	11,151	858	679	94	408	6,507	82	1,413	699	5,919	6,762
July	257	10,195	873	751	102	180	4,013	140	1,302	435	6,219	5,515
August	392	13,672	864	776	103	211	4,908	38	1,382	530	5,431	4,784
September	358	10,696	913	547	91	161	4,124	39	1,241	607	5,918	8,876
October	315	9,750	950	389	73	238	4,704	19	1,185	716	5,119	8,652
November	328	11,591	883	378	74	258	5,075	62	1,399	681	5,879	8,046
December	362	12,092	913	311	61	238	4,853	126	1,343	1,260	6,132	8,781
1966 - January	277	11,054	995	297	43	165	4,025	55	891	1,119	4,013	6,491
February	293	11,511	970	325	62	196	4,781	44	1,156	634	5,579	6,451
March	330	11,925	896	356	68	250	5,966	110	1,370	1,180	5,947	8,694
April	294	11,498	882	440	90	294	6,251	28	1,092	947	4,620	6,022

(a) Includes super and standard grades. (b) Excludes refinery fuel. (c) Includes heating oil. (d) Not available separately - see note (c).

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(\$ million)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1963-64	44.4	5.9	10.4	60.7	91.3
1964-65	42.3	7.6	9.7	59.6	92.0
Quarter -					
1964 - December	10.8	2.6	2.6	15.9	94.6
1965 - March	10.3	1.8	2.3	14.4	90.1
June	10.9	2.1	2.4	15.4	92.0
September	10.7	1.2	2.6	14.4	94.2
December	11.6	3.4	2.8	17.8	98.6
OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (b)					
1963-64	5.0	0.1	8.8	13.9	17.0
1964-65	5.1	0.1	8.7	14.0	15.7
Quarter -					
1964 - December	1.3	(c)	2.8	4.2	16.9
1965 - March	1.2	(c)	1.6	2.9	16.0
June	1.2	0.1	2.3	3.6	15.7
September	1.3	(c)	1.9	3.2	15.2
December	1.4	0.3	2.5	4.2	15.3
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1963-64	49.4	6.0	19.1	74.6	108.4
1964-65	47.4	7.7	18.4	73.6	107.7
Quarter -					
1964 - December	12.1	2.6	5.4	20.1	111.5
1965 - March	11.5	1.8	4.0	17.2	106.1
June	12.1	2.2	4.7	19.0	107.7
September	12.0	1.2	4.4	17.6	109.4
December	13.0	3.7	5.3	22.0	113.9

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc. (c) Less than \$50,000.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(\$ million)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Collections during period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges, etc.)		
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)				
	New	Used						
1963-64	22.1	23.2	5.7	4.5	55.5	58.3		
1964-65	21.6	21.5	7.4	3.8	54.3	62.5		
1965 - April	2.0	1.6	0.7	0.3	4.6	5.0		
May	2.1	1.8	0.7	0.4	4.9	4.7		
June	1.7	2.0	0.6	0.4	4.7	4.8		
July	1.9	1.8	0.3	0.3	4.3	4.5		
August	2.0	1.9	0.3	0.4	4.5	4.7		
September	1.6	1.9	0.6	0.3	4.4	4.6		
October	1.8	1.8	1.2	0.4	5.0	4.8		
November	2.1	1.9	1.5	0.3	5.8	4.9		
December	2.5	1.8	0.9	0.4	5.6	5.3		
1966 - January	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	4.3(c)	(b)		
February	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	4.6(c)	(b)		
March	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	5.8(c)	(b)		
April	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	5.7(c)	(b)		

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (b) Not yet available. (c) Preliminary estimate.

LENDING OPERATIONS OF CORPORATE FINANCE COMPANIES (a)

Amount Financed According to Type of Agreement
($\$$ million)

Period	Instalment Credit for Retail Sales	Wholesale Hire Purchase	Other Consumer and Commercial Loans			Factoring	Total
			Personal Loans	Mortgage Loans	Commercial Loans		
1964-65	48.1	28.5	3.4	16.0	2.8	0.5	99.3
1965 -							
April	4.1	2.6	0.2	1.6	0.2	-	8.8
May	4.1	2.8	0.2	1.9	0.1	-	9.3
June	4.1	2.2	0.3	1.4	0.2	-	8.3
July	3.9	2.5	0.3	1.4	0.3	-	8.4
August	4.1	2.9	0.2	1.2	0.3	-	8.7
September	3.9	2.3	0.2	1.1	0.4	-	7.9
October	4.5	2.6	0.2	1.4	0.3	-	9.0
November	4.8	2.7	0.5	1.1	0.5	-	9.6
December	5.0	3.1	0.2	1.3	0.5	-	10.1
1966 -							
January	4.0	2.0	0.3	1.2	0.4	-	8.0
February	4.2	2.4	0.2	1.2	0.2	-	8.2
March	5.1	3.4	0.3	1.4	0.1	-	10.3
April	5.2	3.4	0.4	1.2	0.2	0.2	10.6

(a) See footnote (a) below.

Collections and Other Liquidations, and Balances Outstanding

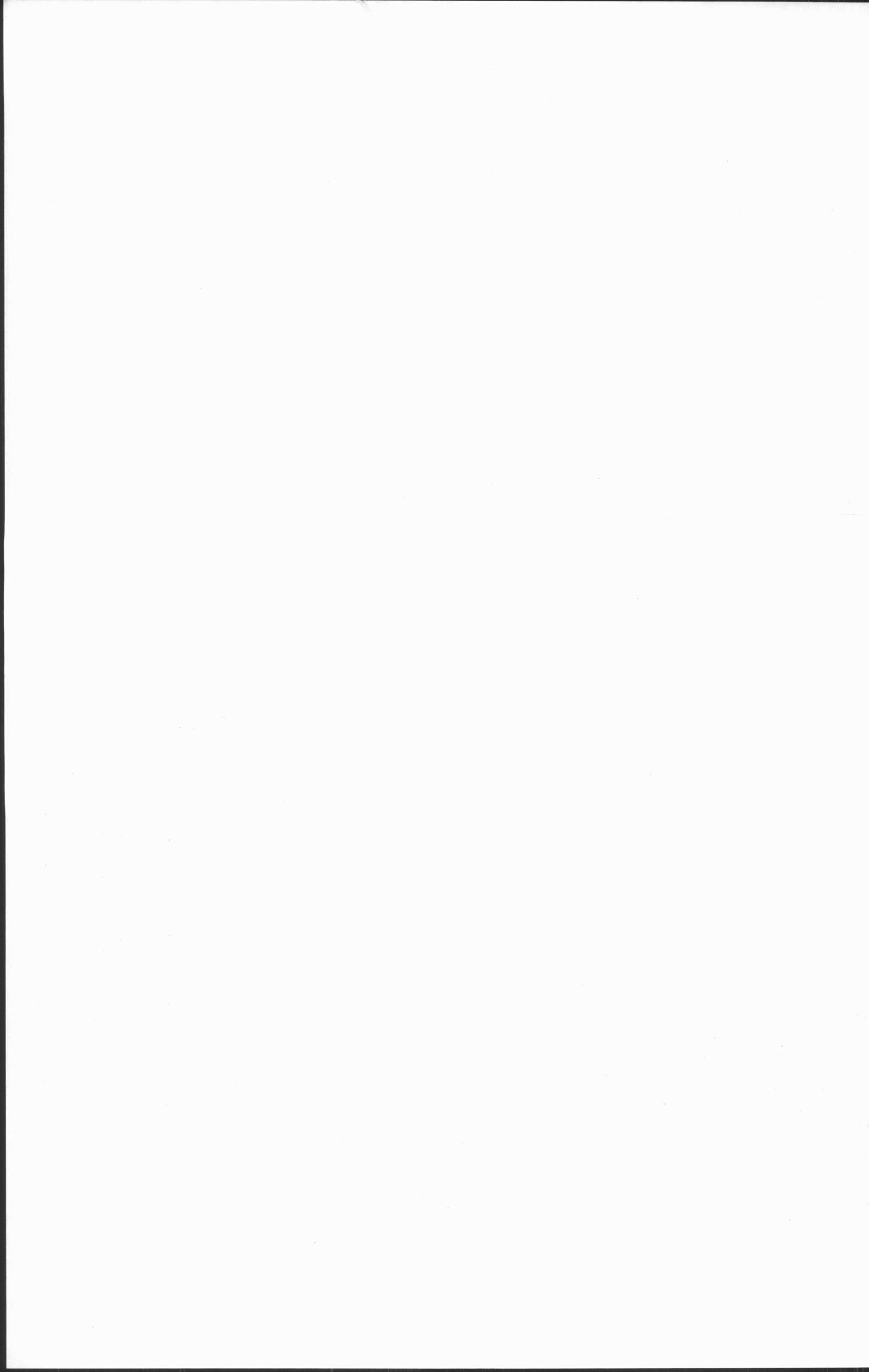
According to Type of Contract

($\$$ million)

Period	Contracts which include charges etc. at time of Agreement		Contracts which exclude charges etc. at time of Agreement		Total, All Contracts	
	Collections etc. during Period	Balances at end of Period	Collections etc. during Period	Balances at end of Period(b)	Collections etc. during Period	Balances at end of Period(b)
1964-65	68.5	101.4	36.2	10.2	104.7	111.6
1965 -						
April	5.6	97.9	3.1	10.0	8.7	107.9
May	5.5	100.4	3.1	10.3	8.6	110.7
June	5.9	101.4	3.0	10.2	8.9	111.6
July	5.8	102.8	3.0	10.2	8.8	113.0
August	5.5	104.0	3.3	10.4	8.8	114.4
September	5.5	105.0	2.5	10.8	8.0	115.8
October	5.9	106.4	3.1	11.2	9.0	117.6
November	6.2	107.7	3.5	11.4	9.7	119.1
December	6.1	109.3	3.6	11.9	9.7	121.2
1966 -						
January	6.7	109.6	2.9	11.8	9.6	121.4
February	9.8	106.7	3.3	11.8	13.1	118.5
March	8.0	107.1	4.1	11.7	12.1	118.8
April	6.2	109.2	3.7	12.3	9.9	121.5

(a) Companies engaged mainly in providing certain credit facilities to the general public (companies and persons). Excludes banks, insurance companies, etc. and companies providing credit to "related companies". (b) Charges, etc. which are accrued and unpaid at the end of period concerned are included.

Note: The outstanding balance for a particular period cannot be verified by the addition of the amount financed to the previous month's outstanding balance less collections and other liquidations for the period under review, owing to the amount financed being a "net figure", i.e. it excludes interest, insurance and hiring charges.



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